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ST. MARY'S PARK IMPROVEMENT CLUB

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February, 1999

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Neighbors have been sending in some great comments with their dues payments. A few have volunteered to help out with various Club functions. Others have noted problem areas that the Club should address. This kind of input is very important for us. We don't always know there's a problem unless folks tell us. We can't solve every problem, but we're always willing to make some calls and stir things up.

I'd like to especially thank Erlinda Strand and Debra Ahern for their comments about the litter and traffic problems caused by patrons of Louie's Laundromat. Thanks to their concerns, the Club Executive Committee will attempt to contact the Laundromat owner and see if we can get the place cleaned up.

And, here's a nod to neighbor Steve Jennings whose quick thinking and persistent phoning got a broken water line repaired on Agnon on Christmas Eve. Thanks, Steve, for helping out your neighbors. That's really what this Club is all about—neighbors helping neighbors, neighbors having fun with neighbors, making and keeping St. Mary's Park the Belle of San Francisco.

Doors Available

Some serious remodeling has been going on over at 21 Agnon. As a result, we've got several original interior doors, an antique barroom door and a



beautiful 3-year old Marvin window we can't use. Interested? Call Danna or Jonna at 285-7425.

Easter Egg Hunt Committee Forming

Into bunnies, eggs, chocolate, eggs, games, candy, eggs and more eggs? Maybe you're a candidate for the Easter Egg Hunt committee. This year's Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 3rd. We're

looking for a few good eggs (pun intended) to make this year's Hunt wacky fun. Want to do a little work and be rewarded with the smiles and laughter of 75 happy kids? Sign up for the Easter Egg Hunt committee at the Feb. 9th meeting or by calling Club President Jonna Ramey at 285-7425.



It's Sweetheart Time at the Feb. 9th Meeting

The Club's February meeting promises to be a sweet deal for all attending. The emphasis will be on meeting neighbors and plain old socializing. So, if you haven't been to a Club meeting in a while or you're new to the neighborhood—Ya'll Come! We'll be planning Club events for the year, and forming fun committees to handle the logistics. Delicious homemade refreshments will be provided, along with coffee and soft drinks. Raffle items will include a gift certificate from one of our great advertisers (and maybe a surprise valentine!). Come to the meeting and help shape the Club's agenda for 1999.



Park Bell Welcomes New Advertisers

St. Mary's Park Improvement Club would like to thank all of the 1999 Park Bell advertisers for placing their ads in this year's newsletter. The fees paid by these companies make it possible for us to continue publishing our monthly newsletter. We'd especially like to acknowledge three new advertisers. They are the Village Cellar and The Cheese Boutique on Chenery Street and Jeanette Solimine, Notary Public.

Next time you're looking for a nice bottle of wine, stop by the Village Cellar. They have a great selection and knowledgeable sales people to help you out. And, while you're in the neighborhood, be sure and check out the great selection of cheeses and other deli items offered at the Cheese Boutique. Their homemade humus makes a delicious appetizer or snack. If you ever need a notary, don't hesitate to call Jeanette Solimine. She's a St. Mary's Park neighbor and she'll notarize documents right in the convenience of your own home.

Note: An error in the design of Kenneth Epley's ad occurred during the digital film transfer process and Ken's headline graphic was superimposed over itself. The Park Bell wishes to extend a sincere apology for this regretful mistake. Ken's address, phone number and e-mail address printed in the ad are correct.

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City Starts Traffic-Calming Study of Bernal Heights

The City Department of Parking & Traffic's Traffic Engineering Division is putting out a Request for Proposal to study various traffic-calming options for the entire Bernal Heights area. The study will focus on 7 distinct areas. St. Mary's Park is its own area. The study also calls for input from the neighborhood in the form of a "Working Group" or committee. At our January meeting, 5 neighbors signed up for the Working Group. We need 5 more. Would you like to join and give your input? You could help make our neighborhood a much safer place for kids to play and elderly people to walk. Sign up at the next Club meeting on February 9th or call Club Vice President Scott Feldman (585-9181) and give him your name and number. Meetings won't be scheduled until after the City selects a traffic consultant to study our area, sometime in late spring.



Kids' Play Area Update

The initial drawings are finished! Children, parents, neighbors and Rec. Center personnel all gave their input. Shunji Suzuki, an urban planner from UC Berkeley, translated everyone's ideas into beautiful drawings. His work will be on display at the Feb. 9th Club meeting. Come, look,

comment and get involved. Our next step? We'll meet with representatives from SLUG, the Ingleside police station and other community groups to make sure that everyone likes the designs. Then? Hey, stay tuned to your Park Bell for more info!



SUNSHINE CORNER
By Armando Pulido

Welcome...

...to the newest neighbor at 65 Genebern Way. We're rolling out the welcome wagon and hoping to see your smiling faces at the next monthly meeting. Come out and enjoy the warm friendly company of your neighbors at the gathering.

...St Mary's population just increased by one — there's a new addition at the Hovland's family! Congratulations and good luck to Baby Hovland!!!

Get Well...

...and hope you are feeling better, Charlie Porter and Claire Driscoll. We all hope your recoveries are speedy ones. Our prayers are with you.

Condolences...

...to Diane and Joe Shasky. Sorry to hear about the passing of Joe's mother, Merle Ann. May she rest in peace.

Happy Birthday...

...to Robin Lowey on the day before Valentine's Day—what a sweetheart!!!

If you have any news of upcoming birthdays, anniversary's, have a "get well" or if you know any neighbors that are homeward bound or shut-ins, please let us know by calling Armando at 239-4221.

The Grand Jury Wants You

The San Francisco Superior Court is accepting the names of volunteers for possible service on the Civil Grand Jury. You must be a citizen, over the age of 18, and a resident of the City & County for over a year. To apply, pick up a grand juror declaration form at the Grand Jury Office, 400 McAllister Street, Room 088. Call for more information: 551-3605.

1999 St. Mary's Park Improvement Club Executive Board

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Keep Sending In Those Dues

Thanks to everyone who has already paid their dues for 1999. So far, almost 60 households have responded. The Club hasn't had this good a January in years! If you've been meaning to send in your dues, today is a great day to do it. Take a moment, fill out the coupon and mail in your check. Here's a list of households that have paid dues, through 1/25/99.

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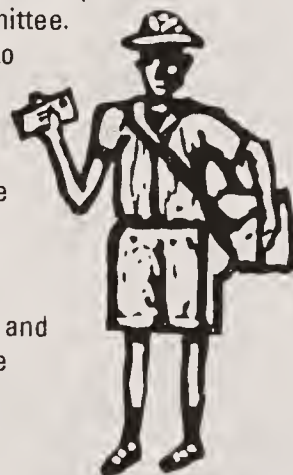
MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 1999

Submitted by Mary Ramirez, Secretary

Cpt. Rick Bruce was present and spoke to the members about crime activities in the area. He distributed copies of the Ingleside major cases from 12/15/98 to 1/19/99.



The Minutes of December 8, 1998, were approved. Officers present at this meeting were President Jonna Ramey, Vice President Scott Feldman, Secretary Mary Ramirez, Finance Officer Danna Peterson, and Sergeant of Arms Florence Kolos. Financial Report was presented by Danna. Balance is \$3,079.95. President Ramey reported that Claire Driscoll was having surgery. There will be a meeting on 2/19 to discuss the playground plans. Volunteers for refreshments were assigned for each month's meeting. Tom Foks gave an overview and preview of the Traffic Calming Study. Members were asked to sign up for neighborhood input and participate on the steering committee. Members were encouraged to email or write suggestions to Bridget Smith at the Department of Parking and Traffic. President Ramey gave an update on the Post Office delivery.



Eve Aylwood, Linda Catalano and Cris Hernandez won the raffle prizes.

Refreshments were served.

1999 St. Mary's Park Improvement Club Membership Dues Payment Form

Yes, I want to support my neighborhood! Here's my 1999 membership dues.

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